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SUBJECT: GERMANY REQUESTS CLARIFICATION ON U.S.
END-USE-MONITORING EXPORT CONTROL PROGRAMS

Classified By: EPD Unit Chief Ingrid Kollist for
reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

11. (U) THIS IS AN ACTION REQUEST. PLEASE SEE PARA 4.

12. (C) Germany has requested clarification regarding visits to German firms by U.S. officials under the framework of various USG export control End-Use-Monitoring (EUM) programs, including the Department of State Blue Lantern, the Department of Commerce Extranchek and the Department of Defense Golden Sentry. The German government is concerned that it is not being kept in the loop in on U.S. EUM checks and is seeking greater transparency. On February 24, German MFA Director General von Fritsch hand-delivered a nonpaper to EMIN that describes a German perceived lack of transparency in U.S. EUM programs. In a follow-on conversation, MFA Deputy Office Director for Export Control, Markus Klinger, requested an informal meeting with U.S. officials from DoD, Commerce, and State to discuss these EUM programs and the German government's role. Post is planning to host this meeting on March 18 with participation from State, FCS, and the Berlin Office of Defense Cooperation (defense sales). In preparation for the meeting, post seeks Department's guidance on responding to German concerns.

13. (C) Begin German non-paper:

In the spirit of our partnership in the area of nonproliferation and our excellent cooperation on export controls, we would like to be bring following circumstance to the attention of the U.S. Embassy in Berlin.

-- On January 8, 2010 Dresden-based Silicon Micro Sensors GmbH received a visit from Embassy Berlin Department of Commerce employees. The visit was announced to Silicon Micro Sensors, but not/not the German authorities. German authorities obtained this information from Silicon Micro Sensors.

-- During the visit, the U.S. Embassy examined the end-disposition of U.S. origin microchips, which would be integrated in cameras and thereafter delivered to Volvo in Sweden. In this process, the Embassy officials looked into the delivery documentation and accepted everything as being in order.

-- According to additional U.S. Embassy information conveyed to the German Economics Ministry (BMWi), the visit was conducted in the framework of the U.S. Department of Commerce Bureau of Industry and Security's (BIS) end-use monitoring program, Extranchek, for the end-disposition of dual-use goods (so-named post-shipment end-use controls). Next to this program, there are also the U.S. State Department's Blue Lantern Program for the end-use examination of defense items

as well as the DoD's Golden Sentry Program for foreign military sales.

-- According to information from the U.S. Embassy there were two Extracheck visits made within the last three years. More frequently, German firms receive visits in the under the framework of the Blue Lantern Program -- about 4-8 visits per year. The details of which firms were visited are not known to us.

14. (SBU) ACTION REQUEST: Post requests Department guidance in responding to the issues raised in the German nonpaper.
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